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Fairy Sparkle visits Wagga Redevelopment



Above: L to R: Health Infrastructure Project Manager Dan Herbertson, WWHS General Manager Denis Thomas, Wagga Wagga Mayor Councillor Rod Kendall, Fairy Sparkle OAM, Member for Wagga Wagga Daryl Maguire, Health Infrastructure Senior Project Manager Michael McMahon and Health Infrastructure Project Manager, Boyd Harley.

The Wagga Wagga community has raised more than \$65,000 to help Sydney-based Fairy Sparkle OAM create something special for the children of Wagga Wagga and the Riverina.

Fairy Sparkle has inspired and created magical gardens across Australia at the Sydney Children's Hospital, Randwick, Royal North Shore Hospital, Orange Hospital, Bundaberg Base Hospital, John Hunter Hospital and Mount Druitt Hospital.

Fairy Sparkle wants an indoor play area and outdoor garden in the Wagga Wagga Rural Referral Hospital complete with interactive art and a signature "Light Tree" which will bring a beautiful canopy and glow over the entire area. "The great benefit to children is that they get the chance to go outside and to forget even for a little while that they are sick," Fairy Sparkle said.

WWHS General Manager Denis Thomas said Fairy Sparkle's work will enhance the lives of children and their parents. "Fairy Sparkle will make a great contribution and we welcome her commitment and involvement in the new hospital."



Above: An example of an indoor play area and outdoor garden attached to a Children's Ward.



Above: An example of interactive kids art.



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Community to have their say

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Do you have any ideas on what you would like included in the new hospital's Community Open Day? If the answer is yes you have until mid-September to get your views known.

Submissions can be made via:

Mail - "Community Open Day ideas", Murrumbidgee Local Health District, Locked Mail Bag 10, Wagga Wagga, NSW 2650 or via the WWBH Redevelopment Team website www.wwhsredev.health.nsw.gov.au

A community committee is also being established to help decide what ideas will be implemented for the day.



Above: The latest aerial view of the Wagga Wagga Rural Referral Hospital.



Above: L to R Hansen Yuncken Project Manager Michael Martin with WWHS General Manager, Denis Thomas in ED.

Redevelopment builders Hansen Yuncken continue their progress on the new hospital.

Those areas substantially complete in the Emergency Department include resuscitation bays, triage, ambulance entrance and bariatric patient room.

The next area to be completed on schedule is the Critical Care Unit. The new Hospital will be operational in early 2016.



Above: The Resuscitation Bay in ED.

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